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**REQUEST FOR REFUND**

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Sir:

I. **REFUND REQUEST**

This is a request for a refund with respect to the charge to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 shown on the statement for the month of May 2010 for the above-identified

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☒ A copy of the monthly statement is enclosed.

II. FEES CHARGED FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

	AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED
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<b>TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>

III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

The Publication Fee, which was not needed, was mistakenly paid at the same time the payment of the Issue Fee was made.

IV. REFUND OF 50% OF FEES

- ☐ enclosing a copy of the written Assertion of Small Entity Status
- ☐ filed herewith
- ☐ filed on

V. MANNER OF REFUND

It is respectfully requested that the excess fee of **\$300.00** be credited to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

VI. REMARKS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a), applicants hereby request a refund of 50% of the Filing Fee. Small entity status has been established by the filing of a written assertion/statement on .

Small entity applicants may file the necessary Statement within three (3) months of the date of payment of any particular fee and request a refund. The present application qualifies for the reduced fees as implemented by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 1, 1982, and further amended on January 20, 1983 and September 8, 2000.

Favorable action on the present Request is respectfully requested.

Dated: May 26, 2010

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